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1. TRANSMITTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION IS THE TEXT OF GVN NOTE TO THE PARTIES TO THE ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIET NAM PROTESTING RECENT COMMUNIST SEIZURE OF CHUONG NGHIA DISTRICT TOWN. NOTE WAS MADE PUBLIC OCTOBER 14, ADDRESSES PLEASE PASS TEXT TO LOCAL GVN REPRESENTATIVES, WHERE THEY EXIST.

2. BEGIN TEXT: NOTE NO. 2437 - NBNG/28. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE PARTIES TO THE ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIETNAM SIGNED IN PARIS ON 2 MARCH 1973, AND HAS THE HONOR TO CALL THEIR ATTENTION TO THE FOLLOWING.

3. ON 1 OCTOBER 1974, THE COMMUNIST FORCES BEGAN A MASSIVE SHELLING INTO THEIR MILITARY SUB-SECTOR AND DISTRICT TOWN OF CHUONG NGHIA (BS 090.150) LOCATED AT 40 KM NORTHEAST OF THE PROVINCIAL CITY OF KONTUM. MORE THAN 3,000 ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY SHELLS OF VARIOUS TYPES WERE FIRED INTO THE GARRISON DURING 3 CONSECUTIVE DAYS AND ON 3 OCTOBER 1974, THE GARRISON WAS SUBMERGED BY THE OTHER SIDE'S NUMERICALLY SUPERIOR FORCES. THE FATE OF OVER 3,000 CIVILIAN PEOPLE LIVING IN THIS AREA REMAINS UNKNOWN.

4. THUS, AFTER THE DAK PEK BASE AND THE MILITARY SUB-SECTOR OF MANG BUK, SEIZED BY THE COMMUNISTS ON 16 MAY 1974 AND 20 AUGUST 1974, CHUONG NGHIA IS THE THIRD POSITION OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM IN THE PROVINCE OF KONTUM, AND THE FIFTH DISTRICT TOWN OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM ILLEGALLY CAPTURED BY THE COMMUNIST SIDE WITHIN THE LAST FIVE MONTHS.

5. THE ABOVE CASE UNDOUBTEDLY CONSTITUTES ANOTHER GRAVE VIOLATION OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF 27 JANUARY 1973 PERPETRATED BY THE COMMUNIST SIDE. CONSEQUENTLY, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM HAS LODGED A STRONG PROTEST WITH THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF CONTROL AND SUPERVISION, WITH THE REQUEST THAT THE CASE SHOULD BE PROMPTLY INVESTIGATED AND STRONGLY CONDEMNED.
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YM THE SEIZURE OF CHUONG NGHIA ALSO EXAMPLIFIES THE POLICY CHOICE OF THE COMMUNIST SIDE--OFTEN AND OFTEN AGAIN REPEATED BY THE HANOI LEADERSHIP--OF SEEKING TO TAKE OVER THE REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM BY FORCE OF ARMS. SUCH A POLICY HAS BEEN STUBBORNLY PURSUED DESPPITE THE STERN WARNINGS FROM THE PEOPLE AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM, AND IN UTTER CONTEMPT FOR ALL PARTIES INVOLVED IN THE PEACE STRUCTURE DEvised BY THE PARIS AGREEMENT

AND THE ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIET NAM, AND
FOR INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC OPINION IN GENERAL.

7. BY THE PRESENT NOTE, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
VIET NAM WISHES TO APPRISE THE PARTIES TO THE ACT OF INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE ON VIET NAM OF THESE DEVELOPMENTS WHICH EVIDENCE THE
RESORT TO OVERT MILITARY ACTION ON AN INCREASING IN THE SOUTH, THE
SO-CALLED "PRGSVN". IF SUCH AN IRRESPONSIBLE POLICY
WERE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE, IT WOULD INEVITABLY JEOPARDIZE THE
WHOLE PEACE STRUCTURE SET UP BY THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF 27
JANUARY 1973 -- WHICH THE PARTIES HAVE THE OBLIGATION TO
GUARANTEE UNDER THE ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
VIET NAM OF 2 MARCH 1973.

8. IN VIEW OF THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE PRESENT SITUATION, THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM EARNESTLY APPEALS TO
THE PARTIES TO TAKE URGENT AND EFFECTIVE ACTIONS TO PREVAIL
UPON THE COMMUNIST SIDE TO CEASE AT ONCE ITS CAMPAIGN OF
ARMED AGGRESSION AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PEOPLE OF
THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM.

9. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM WISHES TO
REITERATE ITS FIRM CONVICTION THAT ONLY THE STRICT RESPECT
AND SCRUPULOUS IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF
27 JANUARY 1973 WILL PUT AN END TO THE WAR AND CREATE AN
ATMOSIHERE CONDUCIVE TO A GENUINE PEACE IN VIET NAM. IT
THEREFORE REQUESTS THAT THE PARTIES EXERT EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT,
EITHER JOINTLY OR SEPARATELY, TO PERSUADE THE COMMUNIST SIDE TO
FULLY IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT, ITS RELATED PROTOCOLS
AND THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF 13 JUNE 1973.

10. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM
AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE PARTIES TO THE
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ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIET NAM THE ASSURANCES
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